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05/27/15 - Wind Quarry, LLC's Letter regarding Application for a Facility Permit for the Willow Creek Wind Energy Facility and Associated Facilities - M:/ltr052715.pdf
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05/27/15 - Appendix A - Figures - M:/appendixa.pdf
05/27/15 - Appendix B - Animal Species Observed on and/or Adjacent to The Willow Creek Wind Power Facility Project Area - M:/appendixb.pdf
05/27/15 - Appendix C - Cultural Resources Record Search - M:/appendixc.pdf
05/27/15 - Attachment A - Project Information as requested in SD SHPO Review per Guidelines for Cultural Resource - M:/attachmenta.pdf
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06/01/15 - Appendix C - Cultural Resources Record Search - M:/appendixc.pdf
06/01/15 - Attachment A - Project Information as requested in SD SHPO Review per Guidelines for Cultural Resource - M:/attachmenta.pdf
06/01/15 - Attachment B - Project Record Search Maps - M:/attachmentb.pdf
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06/01/15 - Notice of Application- Order For and Notice of Public Input Hearing- Notice of Opportunity to Apply for Party Status - M:/puc/web/internet/commission/orders/electric/2015/el15-020notice.pdf
06/01/15 - Certificate of Service - M:/certificateofservice060115.pdf
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06/10/15 - PUC Staff's Letter to Rapid City Journal and Butte County Post regarding Notice of Public Hearing - M:/ltr061015.pdf
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06/15/15 - Order Assessing Filing Fee - M:/puc/web/internet/commission/orders/electric/2015/el15-020.pdf
06/23/15 - Department of Energy - Western Area Power Administration's Letter regarding Interconnection - M:/doeltr.pdf
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07/21/15 - Transcript of Public Input Hearing of July 9, 2015 -
<http://puc.sd.gov/commission/dockets/electric/2015/EL15-020/transcript.pdf>
09/22/15 - STOP Willow Creek Wind Project's Town Hall Meeting Flyer - M:/comments/willowflyer.pdf
11/06/15 - Wind Quarry Operatins, LLC and PUC Staff's Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Stipulation
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regarding Willow Creek Wind Power LLC FAA Aeronautical Study Determination - M:/exhd.pdf
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11/05/18 - Department of Energy's Letter to Willow Creek Wind Power LLC - M:/doeltr110518.pdf
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07/30/19 - Willow Creek Wind Power LLC's Letter regarding Paragraph 14 of the Settlement Stipulation – M:/ltr073019.pdf
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11/30/20 - SDDENR Temporary Permit to Use Public Waters for Construction Purposes, June 10 – August 14, 2020 - M:/2819.pdf
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